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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

December 22, 2003

Hans-Rainer ZERFASS Applicants:

For:

COATING MATERIAL FOR MAKING HIGH TEMPERATURE

RESISTANT SEALING ELEMENTS

Serial No.: 09/888,739 Group: 1713

: June 25, 2001

Examiner: Mulcahy

Confirmation No. 9782

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR TIME EXTENSION

Sir:

A Response To Office Action is enclosed. Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 (a), please extend the shortened period for response by three (3) months. The extension fee is:

\$ 950.00 (37 CFR 1.17a3) [X]

\$ 475.00 (37 CFR 1.17a3; this application is entitled to

## small entity status)

A check for \$950.00 is enclosed for the time extension fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional extension or other fee that may be necessary to deposit account No. 20-1124.

Respectfully submitted,

IN DUPLICATE

Edward J. Timmer (Req.No. 27 402)

Encl: listed above

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence and enclosures are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on December 23, 2003.

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